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SUBJECT: PETROCHEMICAL PROCESSING EQUIPMENT TSS - ADVANCE TRIP

1. SEMINAR ARRANGEMENTS:

- (A) BEWT OFFICER VERZARIU AND EMBOFF MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF BULGARREKLAMA, THE CO-SPONSORING ORGANIZATION, AND THE MINISTRIES OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY AND FOREIGN TRADE, TO PROMOTE TSS. MINISTRY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY IS IN PRINCIPLE WILLING TO CO-CHAIR THE SEMINAR AND TO BRIEF, DURING A SEPARATE MEETING, THE US PARTICIPANTS ON FUTURE PERSPECTIVES OF THE BULGARIAN CHEMICAL SECTOR. EXPECTED SIZE OF AUDIENCE FOR THE ONE-DAY SEMINAR (MARCH 22) IS 60-100 PERSONS.
- (B) SITE OF TSS SESSIONS WILL BE THE HOTEL EUROPA WHERE THE TSS GROUP WILL BE LODGED. ROOM RATES ARE 32 DOLS/NIGHT FOR SINGLE. NO SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION WILL BE AVAILABLE.

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- (C) PRINTING OF BROCHURE WILL BE DONE IN SOFIA.
- (D) PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS IS AS FOLLOWS:

TUESDAY, MARCH 21 ARRIVAL IN SOFIA. TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED TO HOTEL. MEETING WITH INTERPRETERS.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 SEMINAR SESSIONS FROM 0900 TO 1500 (BASED ON FOUR COMPANY PRESENTATIONS). EVENING RECEPTION HOSTED BY DCM.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23 GROUP BRIEFING AT MINISTRY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY. INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS FOR TSS PARTICIPANTS.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24 INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25 DEPARTURE FOR BUCHAREST.

(E) PRELIMINARY BUDGET IS AS FOLLOWS:

INTERPRETERS (2) \$260

RENTAL OF HALL/EQUIPMENT 800 SUPPORT PERSONNEL 300 HOSPITALITY 400

SUPPORT FUNDS FOR EVENTS AT SEMINAR 250
PRINTING/MAILING OF INVITATIONS 50
TELEPHONE/TELEGRAMS 50
TRANSPORTATION 300
TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST \$2,610

2. FOR BEWT/TDAD: ON THE SUBJECT OF TRADE AND COUNTER-UNCLASSIFIED $\,$

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TRADE, VERZARIU MET WITH CHIMIMPORT AND INTERCOMMERCE. GARTHOFF

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